

TOWN OF WEBSTER

MINUTES FOR MARCH 4, 2015 BOARD MEETING

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Webster met for its regularly scheduled meeting at 1411 Webster Road. Mayor Nick Breedlove called the meeting to order at 5:19 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Nick Breedlove, Commissioner Billie Bryson, Commissioner Allan Grant, Commissioner Danell Moses, and Vice Mayor Tracy Rodes

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Janice Blanton

OTHERS PRESENT: Tanner Hall of *The Sylva Herald*, Don Kostelec

GENERAL MEETING

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Breedlove removed item A) Lisa Leatherman/Duke Energy. Vice-Mayor Rodes motioned to approve agenda as amended; Commissioner Grant seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the February 4, 2015 meeting were presented for review. Amendments were suggested :

Pg 1: add "been" in the sentence "Mayor Breedlove indicated he had working in conjunction..."

Pg 2: change "future funding" to "capital plans for funding consideration"

change "sole" to "soul" in Webster Heart and Soul: leave as Heart and Sole Stroll

Change Walking plan to planning document

Add that Vice-Mayor Rodes requested the town hall be annotated on the brochure's maps

Commissioner Grant motioned to approve the minutes with amendments; Vice-Mayor Rodes seconded. Motion carried.

Informal Comments by Public

No public comments were recorded. However, Louise Stephens sent a thank you note to the board for the work the landscaping company had completed in the cemetery.

Consent Agenda

Financial Report

Danell Moses presented the end-of-month reconciliation and budget reports for February 2015:

Beginning town finance balance per February report:	\$133,940.53
Deposits	1,610.29
Cleared expenditures totaled	2,232.16
Checking balance	70,927.26
CD 0001 balance	25,611.61
CD 1681 balance	36,859.39
Ending town finance balance	\$132,398.26

Commissioner Grant provided a motion for approval of the financial reports with Vice-Mayor Rodes providing a second. The motion carried.

Moses also received the board's approval to join the NC Association of Municipal Clerks.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor's Report

* Mayor Breedlove indicated three scholarships had been received for his, Rodes', and Moses' attendance to the Leadership and Strategic Planning Workshop on March 19 at WCU.

* The NCLM will be holding a meeting on the night of our regular board meeting. Time and location will be forwarded via email. Therefore the regular board meeting will be held on April 8 at 5:15 p.m.

*At the April 8 meeting, he would like to make a proclamation that April 10 is Southwestern Community College Day in honor of their fiftieth anniversary.

*WCU students, Don Kostelec, and he met in Webster and discussed the upcoming survey questions and methods of administering the survey.

* George Frizzell is working on compiling historically accurate information for publication on the website.

* Duke Energy is still working to get all the new LED lights installed.

* He has represented Webster at several recent meetings:

- the Joint City /County meeting to talk about a comprehensive plan and comprehensive transportation plan updates. Commissioner Bryson and Commissioner Blanton were there representing Webster.

- the annual TWSA meeting

- Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Transportation meeting at Region A and the NCDOT.

They will meet once monthly for the next two years.

* Mentioned that Michele Smith's stepfather had passed. We will send her a card.

* The Planning Board will meet again on March 16 with clearer instructions and purpose.

* The county provided an update. Webster pays for its fire protection. The current method is that each town pays for fire protection but future method may be to be draw district lines instead. A tax would be levied to support that district's fire needs. Currently Webster contracts with Sylva for \$16,500 per year. Discussions will continue and a decision will be made before budget deadlines.

Council Member's Reports

Vice-Mayor Rodes mentioned she had been reading about the NC House Jobs Bill. Jackson County is in a Tier 2 position. Corporations could be given money to add jobs if they invest over a billion dollars.

Commissioner Moses asked if anyone knew of an update regarding the abolishment of the ETJ bill that is going through the house. Mayor Breedlove said he had not heard anything yet.

NEW BUSINESS

New Business:

A. Kostelec Planning Update

a. Don Kostelec

- a. Presented the finalized plan and will ship the final pdf and publisher files
- b. Indicated that adoption of the plan will benefit in terms of future plans with NC DOT.
- c. Mayor Breedlove said the documents looked great. Vice-Mayor Rodes mentioned that the process had been pleasant and she was pleased that Kostelec listened with intent and had good follow-through.
- d. Vice-Mayor Rodes motioned that Webster adopted the Webster Heart and Soul planning document. Commissioner Grant seconded. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Nick Breedlove, Mayor

Danell Moses, Town Clerk